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Applicant: David Cook
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Entitled: **METHODS FOR QUENCHING PATHOGEN
INACTIVATORS IN BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS**

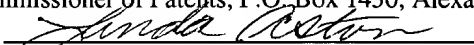
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2003, for which a response was due August 5, 2003 and for which a 1 month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from August 5, 2003 to September 5, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

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